IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Richmond Division

ROBERT DAVID STEELE et al., Plaintiffs,

v.

Civil Action No. 3:17cv601

JASON GOODMAN et al., Defendants.

DECLARATION OF DEFENDANT PATRICIA A. NEGRON

- l, Patricia Negron, make this declaration under 28 U.S.C. ¶ 1746 of my own personal knowledge.
 - I am a resident of Boston, Massachusetts.
 - I am the single mother and custodial parent of three boys, the youngest of whom is a senior in high school.
 - I was forced to quit working four years ago due to a crisis with one of my children, and I
 have not been employed full time since then.
- 4. The costs to defend myself in this case have depleted my savings and I was recently forced to sell my home. Until our lease expires in June, my youngest son and I reside in a small apartment.
- 5. I will be required to drive myself from Boston to Richmond to attend the Settlement Conference. I anticipate the trip could take me away from home and my son potentially for two nights and three days.
- 6. Our apartment is too far from my son's school for him to walk or ride a bike, and he is unable to take the bus. I am not able to rely on family or friends to stay with my son while I come to Virginia. My son does not drive, and has never taken a taxi, Uber, Lyst or other form of public transportation by himself, nor stayed home alone for a multiple days.
- 7. In summary, traveling to Virginia the week of March 16 would be burdensome on me and my family.

I hereby declare that the foregoing is true and correct under penalty of perjury, this 26 day of February 2020, NEEDWAM, Massachusetts.